

#### IOWA COMMISSION OF LATINO AFFAIRS MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, August 2, 2017, 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM
West Liberty Public Library, 400 N Spencer Street, West Liberty, IA 52776

# **Commissioners Present**

#### **Commissioners Absent**

Alejandro Pino Juan Rodriguez

Lorena Gingerich Michelle Reuss

Marlu Abarca-by Phone

Jeannette Martinez

**Public Members** 

NONE

**Department of Human Rights Staff** 

Sonia Reyes-Snyder, Office of Latino Affairs

Monica Stone by phone

I. Call to Order, Welcome & Introductions

Call to order and introductions by Co-Chair, Jeannette Brown at 10:36 AM

II. Public Comment

**NONE** 

III. Approval of minutes from May 3, 2017

Alejandro Pino moved for approval; Lorena Gingerich second.

Vote: Aye: all No: 0

Approval of minutes from July 26, 2017

Alejandro Pino moved for approval; Lorena Gingerich second.

Vote: Aye: all No: 0

IV. Approval of ICLA August, 2017 Report

Marlu Abarca moved for approval; Alejandro Pino second.

Vote: Aye: all No: 0

V. Annual Election of new Commission officers (Chair, Co-Chair & Secretary)

New elected Officers: Chair: Jeannette Brown Co-Chair: Marlu Abarca

Secretary: Lorena Gingerich

# VI. Office of Latino Affairs & Department of Human Rights Report

Sonia Reyes-Snyder shared the office's report and highlighted statewide efforts.

Monica Stone share with the commission staff changes for other offices in the department.

# VII. DHR Representative Report

Marlu Abarca shared with the commission the different initiatives department wide.

## VIII. Report from the Events Committee

### <u>Iowa Latino Hall of Fame Ceremony</u>

The Iowa Latino Hall of Fame will take place, October 7, 2017.

The Governor will be invited and asked to sign a proclamation

All Commissioners will be present and will play a part in the ceremony.

### • ICLA Scholarship to a Latino Student-Latino Unidos of Iowa

The Iowa Commission of Latino Affairs will issue two \$500 scholarships to two Latinos Unidos students. These will be awarded at the Latinos Unidos of Iowa Award Ceremony in September, 2017.

#### ICLA's Latino Day on the Hill

Commissioners would like to have a unified message for this event. Commission officers will work on a script and present it to the commission.

### IX. ICLA Legislative Priorities 2018 Discussion

Commissioners would like more information about the bills before endorsing.

The officers will work together on drafting statements and having the commission approve.

## X. Next Meeting (date and location)

Iowa State Historical Building

Saturday, October 7, 2017

12:30 PM to 2:30 PM

#### XI. Adjourn

Lorena Gingerich moved for approval; Marlu second.

Vote:

Aye: all

No: 0